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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: To be assigned  
ZAFER TERMANINI )  
: Group Art Unit: To be assigned  
Application No.: To be assigned )  
: Filed: To Be Filed )  
: For: INTEGRATED ORTHOPEDIC )  
BANDAGE SYSTEM AND METHOD :  
FOR USING THE SAME ) April 16, 2004

MAIL STOP PETITION

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PETITION FOR RETROACTIVE FOREIGN  
FILING LICENSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §5.25

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Sir:

The undersigned, Pasquale A. Razzano, Attorney for Applicant, hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §5.25 for a retroactive foreign filing license for the enclosed materials, which are a copy of a Korean Patent Application and a translation thereof on which the above identified U.S. application is based. The U.S. application was filed April 16, 2004 and has not yet been assigned a Serial No.

1. The unlicensed patent application material was filed only in Korea (South).
2. The Korean application was filed on February 13, 2004 as application No. 2004-9721.

3. (i) The subject matter in question was not under a secrecy order at the time the

Korean application was filed and is not currently under a secrecy order.

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(ii) The inventor was not aware of the requirement for a foreign filing license at the time of filing. On or about April 1, 2004 the inventor contacted undersigned counsel about filing a U.S. application based on the Korean filing and was advised of the need to obtain a foreign filing license. Subsequently, undersigned counsel was engaged by the inventor's assignee to file the U.S. application and obtain the required license.

(iii) The inventor, sometime prior to February 2004 disclosed the invention, in the United States, to Korean nationals who reside in the United States. An agreement was reached by which the invention was to be assigned to a corporation owned by the Korean nationals. Unaware of the requirement for a foreign filing license, they had their Korean agent file an application in Korea in the name of the Assignee, Beta Holdings Ltd. The agent was unaware of the need for a foreign filing license. Thus, the filing in Korea was made in error and without deceptive intent.

In accordance with M.P.E.P. §1002.02(c)(1), this petition is being filed with the Director of Technology Center 3640.

The fee for filing this Petition is believed to be \$130. Accordingly, a check in that amount is attached. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

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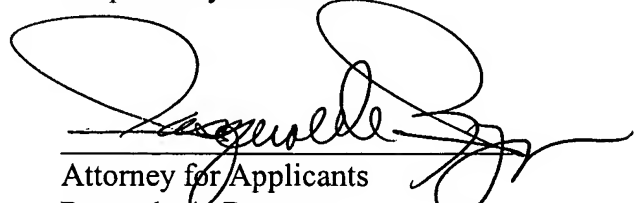
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DECLARATION

I, PASQUALE A. RAZZANO, Attorney for Applicant, declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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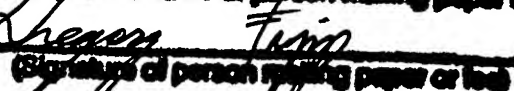
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